

FINAL INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE THE BATTLE



A company of Canadian soldiers hear from their captain just what is expected of them in an attack upon new German positions before Vimy Ridge

RECEDES IN FRANCE

Local Attacks Re-

Quiet

PHRASES

Show Splendid

Sort of Fight-

ing in Progress

WALTER DURANTY

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French Armies, May 15.

Important," runs the com-

ing during the period of calm

recedes the great battle. Some-

wording is vic- with the an-

ment of an artillery duel at a

point, or a raid which brought

down, or a local attack which

is occupying such and such a

village.

For these phrases are from ex-

actly the reality. In warfare of to-

day is considered worth label-

ing artillery duel if fewer than 10-

are fired in twenty-four hours

on a front perhaps two or

three miles wide. Sometimes the fig-

ures go to twenty, thirty, or even a

thousand daily.

Hard to realize what this means

is, your correspondent visited a

quiet sector in Flanders, where

the shell average was only four

thousand. The air was full of

noise and horrible din of fly-

ing, followed by the roar of ex-

ploded and showers of deadly splin-

ders and there one met wounded men

in bandages, making their way

to the rear. And as I passed along

the battalion commander said

that had three men killed half an

hour ago in the boyau of a dugout.

"Quiet" on the battlefield. An

artillery duel worthy of mention in com-

pare is far more terrible. And

the daily experience of the Allied sol-

diers in the present period of the "calm."

Such a time local attacks and raids

of particular importance. By "raid"

is meant a foray into the enemy's lines,

followed by the capture of ex-

posedly prisoners and, as an invari-

able result, the bombing and destruction

of the essential purpose of a

raid to acquire information. The na-

PRUSSIAN JUNKERS AGAIN VOTE DOWN KING

Reject on Third Reading the Franchise Reform Measure Government Pledged

By GEORGE RENWICK

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Amsterdam, May 15.

The Prussian Junkers have again

voted down their King and their Parli-

ament. It will be remembered that last

year William II promised Prussia a

franchise reform based on equal suffrage.

When the measure, which was to give

effect to the royal promise, was brought

before the committee of the Prussian

lower house, the reactionaries deleted

the one-man one-vote clause. On a sec-

ond reading the other day the chamber

refused by a majority of more than

fifty to restore it, and today the reaction-

ary destructiveness was ratified by an

almost similar majority, 236 to 185, on

the third reading.

The decision is a severe defeat for the

Prussian Government, but it appears de-

termined to act in its usual weak-knee-

d fashion. After the second reading de-

feat, the Government declared that it

would take no action, that it would not

decide whether to resign or dissolve the

chamber till the third reading. Now it

again postpones action until the now use-

less measure comes back from the upper

house. Then, according to Doctor Fried-

berg, deputy minister of state, will come

"the real drama."

Berlin political circles, however, ex-

pect nothing but an unheroic melodrama

of giving way to the Junkers. The Vor-

warts and other democratic organs, an-

tipating what happens today, were

badly depressed yesterday, but the ma-

GARBLE LICHNOWSKY TALE Germans Circulate "Doctored" Version of Expose

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Milan, May 15.—The Corriere della

Sera learns from Zurich that many Ger-

man agents under the cloak of pro-

Entente sympathies, are circulating

throughout Switzerland copies of a

garbled version of the Lichnowsky

memorandum.

Some copies printed in the Italian

language already have found their way

into Italy, and it is understood the Ger-

mans also are circulating this garbled

version in other Entente languages.

BRITISH AND AMERICAN FLEETS READY FOR FOE

Some of Finest United States Battleships in War Zone, Says Hurd

London, May 15.

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badly depressed yesterday, but the ma-

majority Socialist mouthpiece will have

something to cheer it up today. That is

the remarkable result of the Reich-

stag by-election in the Zwickau, Saxony,

division.

The seat was held by a well-known

PACIFIST SOCIALISTS FOOL U. S. LABOR MEN

Pro-German Boycott Carried Out to Keep Them From French Patriots

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London, May 15.

A dispatch to London Daily Telegraph

spoke:

"I received a remarkable report from

an English Socialist who accompanied

the American labor delegation to Paris

the other day. He tells me that an ab-

solute pro-German boycott of the visit

was deliberately carried out.

"The American delegates, who are all

patriots, were cornered by the pacifist

section of the French Parliamentary

Socialist party and the French gen-

eral labor federation. How this was

engineered is not clear, but it was

engineered very thoroughly.

"Thus it was not until a few hours

before the American delegates' departure

that patriotic French socialists got in

touch with or even saw them. The

deputation attended a reception in the

Chamber of Deputies by Deschanel. At

this reception French socialist deputies

who held the same opinions as the

American delegates—that is, who are

for peace only with victory—rushed up

to my informant and said:

"What has been done with the Amer-

ican delegates? Not one of us has been

asked to any of their meetings, or has

even seen them."

"My informant was able to arrange

with the Americans had to do their

packing, was absolutely the only time

they met the patriotic French socialist

deputies—that is, the forty who have

since 1881

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CAILLAUX THRILLS MILITARY COURT

Proud and Defiant Attitude Impresses All in Bonnet Rouge Trial

REMAINS A FIGHTER

Soon to Face Treason Charge Himself, Ex-Premier of France Unshaken

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Paris, May 15.

For the first time since his arrest

more than two months ago on charges

of treason, Paris yesterday saw ex-

Premier Joseph Caillaux, who for sev-

eral years was undoubtedly the most

powerful, and, in the opinion of many,

the most dangerous public man in

France, whether in or out of office,

make his appearance in public. He

was called as a witness in the Bonnet

Rouge trial.

Caillaux entered the room in which

the court-martial sat with his head high

and lacking not a jot of the charac-

teristic arrogance and pride which led him

to claim the right to be the dictator

of his country's fate and which brought

him to his present position. The pris-

oner is awaiting trial by a military

court on the gravest charges that can

be laid against a politician. His evi-

dence was unimportant in itself and

the whole interest in his appearance was

purely personal.

It was evident from the man's whole

manner that confinement in a prison

cell and the long investigation he has

undergone have not in the slightest

degree diminished his fighting power. He marched in surrounded by armed guards with the air of a dictator in the midst of his escort of honor. His answers were given with complete assurance and a steady gaze at the president of the court-martial, which marked him as a man entirely without fear, who was prepared to fight to the end. With all the personal force with which he has often faced and quelled an antagonistic chamber he attempted more than once to get outside the narrow limits of the question on which he had been called with a view to express for the benefit of the greater audience in the country at large some part of his own defense against the charges of treason, and it was only the firmness of the president of the court-martial which kept him from making use of the court as a personal platform. Caillaux's appearance gave a foretaste of the remarkable experiences which are in store for a day in the near

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